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To Mr. BAVIUS, *Secretary to the Society of* Grub-ſtreet.

SIR,

ALL the company being met at the time appointed, [ſee the 223d *Journal*] excepting CLEANDER, and another parliament man (who, having ingaged themſelves in miſtaken intereſts, held it neceſſary to go down to their ſeveral corporations to ſecure their elections) TIMON was called upon, to proceed upon the adjourned matter of debate. But he objecting, how diſhonourable it would be in equity, whatever the law may allow, to hear or determine a cauſe *ex parte*, demurred to the motion, and appealed to the auditors for the juſtice of it. However perceiving, that tho' they were divided in their opinions as to the demurrer, yet all ſeemed affected with the diſappointment, he rejoined, that tho' he came fully prepared to have vindicated all he had advanced at the laſt meeting, yet ſince CLEANDER was not preſent, it would be but decent to adjourn over to a new day, and at ſome diſtance too, becauſe the time of his return was very uncertain. Nevertheleſs, ſays he (ſeeing viſible marks of diſſatisfaction in moſt of their countenances) that ſo much good company may not be wholly diſappointed, if they deſire it, without entering upon the task injoined me, to propoſe a remedy for the evil complained of, I will venture to touch upon the authors of it, and leave the remedy to be diſcuſſed in ſome future meeting, when CLEANDER may, by his preſence, either ſtrengthen, or weaken my reaſons by proper objections. The whole company thanked him, and compoſed themſelves to attention; and then TIMON, according to my friend SALATHIEL's minutes, went on in the following manner.

In order to make a perfect cure, every wiſe ſurgeon will firſt make a thorough ſearch into the ſituation of the wound. He will waſh, probe, and lance, if he find occaſion: but, if he values the good or eaſe of the patient, he will take care to regulate every part of his conduct by a mature conſideration. If therefore, in endeavouring to anſwer your expectations, any thing ſhould fall from me diſſonant to your ſentiments, I deſire you will put me upon explaining myſelf; which I ſhall take as the trueſt teſt of your friendſhip, rather than any petulant diſcrepancy.—I will begin with the lower tire of profeſſions, the catch-poles, or, as they are intitled near the court, the lord mayors and ſheriffs officers: for I imagine it will not be denied, that in point of order, as well as diſcipline, the finiſher of the law ought to draw up the concluſion. Beſide, he cannot properly be admitted a party of the evil, who, if properly and timely applied, would be found the moſt compleat doctor. A goodly body theſe, both in number and qualification. Their buſineſs was originally deſigned to procure honeſt men their own: but, by a great perfection in practice, their preſent employ, or myſtery, if you pleaſe, is to put the ſubſtance of honeſt men into the pockets of knaves. In the execution of which noble office, they are abetted by their brother heroes next above them. By their great dexterity (tho' they never were any diſciples of FAWKES, all they perform being by dint of fiſt) and the corroborating countenance of their fellow cormorants (to be next ſpoken off) many an honeſt man has been ruined, for a debt, that originally amounted not to half the amount of their extortions: and thouſands, at this day, remain under dureſs, ſhameful inſtances of their barbarity, and periſhing witneſſes of the inhumanity and ſupineneſs of a polite people. But as theſe return the compliment of their employers, the attornies, in laying all the blame at their doors (and, I confeſs, with ſome face of reaſon, if we conſider the great countenance they receive from them) I ſhall next proceed to take that ſecond worthy branch of the law into conſideration.—A huge, not to ſay a monſtrous body! ſo extravagantly productive, that a man, without the gift of prophecy, may venture to read the approaching deſtiny of the nation from their over-fruitfulneſs. I have read in ſtory of many devaſtations in foreign countries made by ſwarms of locuſts. Thoſe devour all the leaves, but leave the trees behind them: but theſe, if permitted to go on in their preſent fertility, will hardly leave trees enough to make a bonfire at their funeral. They value themſelves upon being gentlemen, and not mechanics. But let us weigh a little the definition of a mechanic; and if that will ſatisfy or pleaſe them, which calls him a handy-craftſ-man, I appeal to ſad experience, if they themſelves are not included, to the full import of the word. Or if that is not particular enough, and they will have him to be a worker in braſs, copper, ſilver, or gold: which of the metals is it, in which they do not mechanically deal, even to the tranſmutation of the firſt into the laſt? But leaſt either of theſe ſhould be deemed forced or confined, let us go a little further, and inlarge the field. And if that is moſt properly called mechanic, which employs the labour of the hands, as well as the brain; what occupation, I beſeech you, can be ſayed to be more mechanical? Or rather, what mechanical operation can be ſayed to be equally mechanical with theirs? Hands and brain are agreed to be eſſentially neceſſary, and equally ſo in common mechaniſm: whereas hands without brain will ſerve the attorney, and do as much miſchief in life, as other mechanics do good. How vainly then does SCRIBELLA boaſt her fancied quality, whoſe living husband could only be called a thorough mechanic in the worſt part of mechaniſm? But enough of their pride, which, tho' a very bad vice, I heartily wiſh for the good of my country-men, was the worſt they were endued with. I haſten to a field of excellencies, ſufficient to employ the time allotted for this meeting.

And I deſire to place to their charge, and I hope very juſtly, a practice more mechanical, in the loweſt acceptation of the word, than any of the greateſt mechanics. If an honeſt mechanic obſerve, that any of his brethren impoſe upon a chapman, either in goodneſs, or price; far from falling in with the fraud and covin of his brotherhood, he reſents the wrong; and, rightly conſidering it as a blemiſh upon the occupation, never leaves expoſing, if not proſecuting, the aggreſſor, 'till he has brought him to a ſenſe and reparation of the injury. Permit me to look into the reverſe, and examine a little into the behaviour of theſe our un-mechanical gentry; and I dare appeal to the unbiaſſed and unprejudiced of mankind, Whoſe conduct is moſt agreeable to the laws of juſtice and right reaſon. Upon any injury received, if you make application for redreſs to a brother of the quill, without the gift of divination, I will point you out the reception you are like to meet with. After a long detail of your barbarous uſage, he will ſhrug up his ſhoulders, and very likely cry out, 'Tis like the man: 'for he has a very vile character'. Incouraged by which, if you proceed to deſire his aſſiſtance towards a redreſs, you will, forty to one, find your ſelf grievouſly miſtaken, and the matter accommodated in this healing manner. 'Why it's true, the man has a very vile character, has 'uſed you ill, and deſerves to be ſeverely handled for it: 'but we gentlemen of the law do not think it conſiſtent 'with the rules of honour to proſecute any of the brotherhood: therefore I hope you will be ſo good as to 'excuſe me; but in any other fair cauſe, you ſhall find 'me your humble ſervant'. This, to my knowledge, has been the plea; and therefore I cannot be deemed any thing arrogant in imagining them ſo pleading here. — But give me leave a little to anatomize this forenſial piece of rhetoric. They grant his practice is baſe, and *character vile*, but being a *brother*, they think it beneath their *honour* to purſue him to conviction or puniſhment. A moſt pious tenet! Well then, be it ſo; and if intereſt be the goddeſs they adore, I would deſire to ask any of thoſe ſqueamiſh objectors, Whether diſtinguiſhing between the fair and the vile practitioner, would not be to the advantage and honour of the former? That reſpect and value, which they now claim in a lump, would it not appear more brilliant, when experience ſets her conſenting hand to it? Would the flock be ever the leſs valuable, if the ſkabby ſheep were ſeparated and thrown over the fold? Particular reflections would then fall on thoſe only who deſerved them: whereas, now the general name of an attorney is, by many impartial perſons, looked upon as a term of reproach. And certainly it muſt be granted, by the ſenſible part of mankind, that the regulation propoſed would be much more commendable, if voluntary. The example would both convince and deterr; and the injured would perhaps be ſo amuſed at the novelty, that they might grow ſupine, and neglect to ſeek a reformation at the hands of their ſuperiors. At leaſt an univerſal peeviſhneſs would be mollified; and good humour would go along with reaſon in rectifying abuſes. Scandalous invectives would be out of doors; and men would not be any longer neceſſitated to revenge with their tongues the injuries ſuffered from the wrong turn of other people's heads.

You ſmile, gentlemen, and imagine me in ſearch of a new Eutopia: but, I aſſure you, I only mention it as an expedient to be wiſhed for, rather than expected. Authority, not benevolence, muſt work the cure. For ſo long as Byard finds the oats, or grains, in the manger, he will lay on luſtily; and think his turn in the mill, that ſucceeds it, the beſt turn in life. 'Tis therefore to that authority the wiſe, as well as the injured, will have recourſe. This is all I ſhall ſay at preſent; and if it has a weight equal to its verity, I ſhall not doubt your application.

Here TIMON caſt his eye aſide; and perceiving our friend SALATHIEL hard at work in ſhort hand, he complained of the freedom. But the ſly knave with a fleer urging, what he was doing was only for the public good, with a deſign, after fair copying, to lay it before the company; they all allowed the excuſe and uſefulneſs of the work, and appointing him their ſecretary, deferred the next meeting 'till the return of CLEANDER, and ſeparated in the ſame friendly manner in which they met.

TOM. TELL-TROTH.

O. Sedgwick.

Facetious maſter BAVIUS,

THO' your letters are for the moſt part calculated to raiſe mirth in your readers, yet, I obſerve, you are not ſo much rivetted to the humourous, as intirely to diſapprove of the ſerious, *i. e.* any thing tending to edification. My circumſtances at preſent are very deplorable, as you'll find by the ſequel; and I am reduced, by the many ill-judged flights of my youth, and the powerful *ſcribendi cacoethes*, to the ſolitary condition of a garetteer. Others may perhaps reflect on my ſad miſhaps, and avoid running into the ſame inconveniences; and therefore, tho' in this neceſſitous condition, you can reaſonably expect no other, than that I ſhould prove as ſtupid, as tho' born *craſſo ſub aere, patriâ verveeum*; yet, as I've ſuch a fit upon me of compaſſion for thoſe many poor retrograde wretches, who are running thoughtleſs into the ſame ſtarvling way, I flatter myſelf, you are ſuch a friend to mankind, that you will ſoon inſert this in one of you Papers.

My mother dying, left me a ſmall eſtate of 44 l. per ann. and I ſtood fair, upon my uncle's deceaſe, (who has ſince taken care to clip my wings by diſinheriting me) for near 10,000 l. ——— In order to enjoy all this, and to make a proper figure in life, my friends beſtowed on me a good ſchool education: and after I had made a reaſonable proficiency in claſſical learning, at the age of 16, I came up to London, and entered into articles of clerkſhip with a very eminent attorney. He being a good-natured indulgent maſter, I gave myſelf a great many airs: and if in the kindeſt manner he rebuked me for my miſconduct, inſtead of excuſing, and promiſing to reform it, with an unbecoming churliſhneſs I ungratefully rejected his advice; and wholly neglecting affairs of the greateſt importance, I applied myſelf ſolely to the buskin occupation, *i. e.* I turned play-monger. ——— In ſhort, having, as I thought, produced a good likely babe of my brain, I offered it to the houſe: but to my very great mortification, ſome few days after, I was informed, that the brat was not worth owning, and that the managers would advance no coin at all, it being likely to prove as woeful a tragedy, as ever was tragedized on the Britiſh ſtage.

My maſter, Sir, has twice turned me out of doors. I have now a wife, and a poor babe at the breaſt, as well as one of the pericranium, to take care of. Here is the bauling milk-woman at the foot of the ſtairs, raving in Billingſgate, for her money, and ſhewing a frightful ſcore of a long ſtanding. In an old broken chair yonder ſits my good wife, botching my breeches, with a parcel of rags, of different colours. In the middle of my garret lies the cat upon my thread-bare coat, mewing with her kittens; and I myſelf am ſcratching my head, and gnawing my nails to the quick, endeavouring to draw a few tuſtian verſes from my hard-bound brains. Having lived upon a ſparing milk-diet theſe three weeks, (not on the account of the gout) I am grown ſo lank, that after being muſe-ridden ſo long, I fancy myſelf a fit hackney for ſome Lapland witch.

This, Sir, is a ſpecimen of what poor poets may be reduced to, and of the ſad conſequences which attend thoſe who ſorrily miſpend their time. A man cannot well be idle, and there's no ſtanding ſtill in life: but how

weak is it, for thoſe who are bleſſed with a good capacity, not to make ſome laudable uſe of it! Such has been the ſad effect of my mal-practices: and 'tis ten to one, but in a very ſhort time, I ſhall have no other cloaths, but a ſtone-doublet, to my back.

May this ſerve as a caution to all youth in general, who are put to any genteel buſineſs in this great city; eſpecially to all attorneys clerks, to thoſe in the ſeveral offices, young apothecaries, ſurgeons, linnen-drapers, &c. not to haunt play-houſes. Where, from firſt pretending to judge of plays, they will be gradually drawn in to imagine themſelves able to write one: which, proving unſucceſsful, and their ſpirits being quite broken by continual diſappointments, they will at laſt retain no mark or character of a poet, but the poverty: like

your pennyleſs bard, and humble ſervant,

OMICRON.

P. S. My wife is talking of cutting out my breeches pockets (for ſhe ſays I make no uſe of them) in order to make me a ſtout night-cap. —— Conſonant enough to a ſtone doublet, faith and troth.

From my garret in Hounſditch, up 3 pair of ſtairs. Ap. 20, 1734.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.* | DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.* | S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | GE. *General Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Ap.* 25. The prince and princeſs of Orange weigh'd anchor from Graveſend about 8 yeſterday morning. *C. D A.* —— The lady Southwell went with them; but his lordſhip continues here, having no employment under their highneſſes. *LE.* —— *The* P. *of Ap.* 11. appointed him maſter of the horſe to her royal highneſs.

The ſame morning their majeſties, &c. ſet out from S. James's for Richmond, where they will continue 6 weeks. *C.* —— They ſet out about 12. *D A.* —— His majeſty has appointed Col. Charles Howard, late member for Carliſle, to be an aid de camp. *D P.*

Letters from Stafford ſay, there has been great diſputes and quarelling between the ſoldiers and the town's people, and that ſeveral were hurt and wounded. *S J.* —— The *Quo Warranto*, brought againſt the charter of Cheſter, hath been ſet aſide by a verdict, to the great joy of the citizens, and all others in the Groſvenor intereſt. *D P.* —— Town's people *and* citizens *love neither* ſoldiers, *nor* Quo Warrantos.

Yeſterday No. 38,667, was drawn a prize of 1000 l. *C. DP. DJ. DA.*

The ſame morning about 4, a fire began in King's-ſtreet Weſtminſter, in Mr. Perkins's work-houſe, in melting of tallow, and not having plenty of water, 6 houſes were conſumed in a very ſhort time. *C. DP. DJ. DA.* —— Broke out in a work-ſhop: 5 houſes intirely deſtroyed. *P.* —— The engines were there a full hour, before they could be ſupplied with water. *D J.* —— Mr. Bean, head cryer of Weſtminſter had both his thighs broke, and died yeſterday of his wounds and ſcorches. *P.* —— *It is ſay'd, that this is the* fourth time, *that* Mr. Perkins's tallow *has taken fire.* —— *Betwixt* too much fire, *and* too little water, *the people, in that part of* Weſtminſter, *are in a fine ſituation.*

FRIDAY, *Ap.* 26. Yeſterday at Brentford, tho' there was no oppoſition, there appeared about 1200 gentlemen, clergy, and freeholders, to ſupport the election of Sir Francis Child, and the hon. Will. Pulteney, Eſq; who were returned accordingly. *D P.*

The ſame day No. 115,466 and No. 49,855, were drawn prizes of 500 l. each. *C. P. DP. DA.* —— 45,855. *D J.*

Dover, Ap. 21. The duke of Buckingham and the earl of Orrery, embarqued yeſterday at 10 for Calais. *P.*

At New-market, on tueſday, the lord Lonſdale won the 700 guineas contribution purſe. *D P.*

Died, yeſterday morning, the hon. Mr. Cholmondeley, about 15, ſon of the right hon. lord Cholmondeley. *D P.* —— In Thrift-ſtreet, Soho ſquare, the hon. lady Monſon, relict of the late Sir William. *D A.*

SATURDAY, *Ap.* 27. When the lady Deloraine and the lady Colladon took leave of her royal highneſs the princeſs of Orange, ſhe told them, that ſhe hop'd to be in England again in three months. *D P.*

Bath, Ap. 23. This evening about 7, her royal highneſs the princeſs Amelia arrived here, when the mayor, aldermen, &c. attended her royal highneſs in their formalities, &c. *D J.*

Yeſterday No. 71,270 was drawn a prize of 1000 l. *C. P. DP. DA.*

At New-market, on wedneſday, Mr. Howe's *Shock* beat the lord Portmore's *Piper* for 200 guineas. *P.*

Laſt night the ſeſſions ended at the Old Bailey, when 7 perſons received ſentence of death, viz. Tho. Evans, for ſtealing linnen, value 24 l. 10 s. [10 l. 4 s. *D P.*] Will. Gillard, for Houſe-breaking; [Jellard. *D P.*] Will. Fletcher for forgery; John Green, for privately ſtealing goods value 10 l. Maſſey Hornby, for the murder of her baſtard child; Peter Machie, for privately ſtealing a parcel of jewels, [for robbing on the highway. *P. D J. D A.*] and Eliz. Hewitt, *alias* Giles, for ſtealing divers goods of value. [for felony and burglary. *P. D J.*] 34 were ordered for tranſportation, and 2 burnt in the hand. [about 40 for tranſportation. *D J. D A.*] *C.* &c.

This morning about 11 the lord biſhop of Ely gave his opinion that the rev. Dr. Ric. Bentley, maſter of Trinity college Cambridge, was guilty of the crimes or enormities of dilapidation of the goods, and violation of the ſtatutes of the ſaid college; and had thereby incurred the penalty of deprivation; and pronounced ſentence accordingly. *GE.* —— *Which, ſome think, will be* executed *only by* death.

Died Yeſterday at 2 o' clock Sir Edward Bellamy, Knight and alderman, &c. *LE.* —— Yeſterday he was much better. *DP. Ap.* 29.

MONDAY, *Ap.* 29. Yeſterday in the afternoon a meſſenger arriv'd at Whitehall from Holland, with an account of the ſafe arrival of the prince and princeſs of Orange on friday morning at Rotterdam. *D A.*

On friday night about 11, a preſs-gang came through Spittle-fields, Shoreditch, and Moorfields, with trumpets, drums, &c. before them, which cauſed many people to leave their dwellings; by which ſtratagem they impreſs'd a great many men. *C. DP.* — *Who, loving* muſic *ſo well, will ſoon learn to* dance.

Yeſterday No. 76,540 was drawn a prize of 500 l. *D J.* —— On ſaturday. *C. DP. DA.*

TUESDAY, *Ap.* 30. Yeſterday No. 115,272 was drawn a prize of 3000 l. *C. DP. DA.* — And No. 60,373, 500 l. *C. DA.*

This day the ſcrutiny ended for chamberlain, and Mr. Boſworth has gained about 30 on Mr. Selwin. *LE.* —— Laſt night it ended, and it was generally allowed Mr. Selwin had a conſiderable majority. *D A. May* 1.

Died, on ſunday, in Dover-ſtreet, of the ſmall-pox, the lady Kath. Wyndham, eldeſt daughter of Sir William. *D P.* —— In Bartlett-ſtreet, John Lance, Eſq; an eminent ſurveyor worth 20,000 l. *C.* —— Yeſterday in Salisbury court, —— Stapleton, Eſq; deputy receiver of the land-tax for London. *C. DP.*

WEDNESDAY, *May* 1. Yeſterday at Guildhall the majority of hands appearing in favour of Humphrey Parſons, Eſq; John Barber, Eſq; Sir John Barnard, and Rob. Godſchall, Eſq; aldermen, they were declared duly elected; but a ſcrutiny being demanded by the friends of Mr. Alderman Perry and Mr. Willimot, the ſame was granted. *C.*—A poll was demanded, &c. *DP. DJ. DA.*

MEMBERS choſen for the enſuing *parliament.*

‡ Rechoſen for the ſame place. * New Members.

Abingdon——*Rob. Hucks, Eſq;*
S. Albans—Sir Tho. Aſton, Bar. Tho. Aſhby, Eſq;
Aldborough—‡ *Capt. Purvis:* * Will. Conolly, Eſq;
Amerſham—Hen. Marſhall: Tho. Lutwych, Eſqs;
Andover—‡ Will. Guidot: * John Pollen, Eſqs;
Arundel—‡ *Col. Lumley:* ‡ *Sir John Shelley.*
Aylesbury—* Ald. Champion: ‡ *Chriſtoph. Towers, Eſq;*
Banbury—‡ *Lord Wallingford.*
Bedford C.—Hon. John Spencer: ‡ *Sir Rowl. Alſton, Bar.*
Bedford T.—‡ Sir Jer. Vanacker Sambroke: Sam. Ongley.
Great Bedwin—‡ *Will. Sloper, Eſq;* * *Col. Murray.*
Beverley—* Elleker Bradſhaw, Eſq; ‡ *Sir Char. Hotham.*
Biſhops-caſtle—‡ *Rob. Moore,* * —— Kynaſton, Eſq;
Blechingly—‡ *Sir William Clayton:* * *Kendrick Clayton.*
Boſton—* *The hon. Albemarle Bertie:* * Richard Fydell.
Brackley—‡ Sir Paul Methuen: ‡ Dr. Geo. Lee, Eſq;
Bramber—* *Sir Hen. Gough, Bar.* * *Capt. Har. Gough.*
Buckingham T.—‡ *Geo. Chamberlayne:* * Ric. Greenville,
Calne—‡ *Col. Ducket:* * Walter Hungerford, Eſq;
Cambridge C.—‡ Sam. Shepherd: ‡ *Hen. Bromley, Eſqrs;*
Camb. T.—‡ Sir J. Hind Cotton: ‡ Tho. Sclater Bacon.
Chippenham—* Ric. Long: ‡ Rog. Holland, Eſqrs;
Chipping Wic.—Hen. Waller: Edm. Waller, Eſqrs;
Chriſt-Church—* *Edward Hooker, Eſq;* ‡ *Joſeph Hinxman.*
Cirenceſter—* William Woodhouſe: ‡ Thomas Maſter.
Colcheſter—* Matthew Martin: * Iſaac Lem. Rebow.
Cricklade—‡ *Sir Thomas Read:* * Will. Gore, Eſq;
Derby—‡ *L. Jam. Cavendiſh:* ‡ The hon. Ch. Stanhope.
Devizes—* *Sir Joſeph Eyles:* ‡ *Francis Eyles, Eſq;*
Dover—‡ *Dav. Papillon:* * *Tho. Revel, Eſqrs;*
Dunwich—‡ *Sir Geor. Downing:* *Sir Orlando Bridgman.*
Eaſt Grinſtead—* *L. Middleſex:* * Edw. Conyers, Eſq;
S. Edmunds B.—‡ *Hon. Tho. Harvey, Eſq;* ‡ *Col. Norton.*
Eye—‡ *Stephen Cornwallis:* ‡ *John Cornwallis, Eſqrs;*
Gatton—‡ Will. Newland: ‡ *Paul Docminique, Eſqrs;*
Grantham—‡ *L. Viſcount Tyrconel:* ‡ Sir Mich. Newton.
Guilford—*Hon. Mr. Onſlow: Colonel Onſlow.*
Harwich—*Carteret Leathes: Charles Stanhope, Eſqrs;*
Haſlemere—‡ James Oglethorpe: ‡ *Peter Burrell, Eſqrs;*
Hertford T.—* *Sir Tho. Clarke:* * *Nat. Braſſey, Eſq;*
Heydon—* Sir Fran. Boynton: * George Berkeley, Eſq;
Honiton—* Wm. Courtenay, jun. Eſq; ‡ *Sir Will. Yonge.*
Horſham—‡ *Cha. Eversfield:* ‡ *Hen. Ingram, Eſqrs;*
Huntingdon—‡ Edw. Montague: ‡ *Col. Handaſyde.*
Hyth—*Will. Glanville: Here. Baker, Eſqrs;*
Ipſwich—* *Samuel Kent:* ‡ *William Woollaſton, Eſqrs;*
Leiceſter—‡ Sir Geo. Beaumont, Bart. Geo. Wright, Eſq;
Lewes—‡ *Tho. Pelham of Stammer:* ‡ *Tho. Pelh. of Lewes.*
Lincoln C.—‡ Sir Tho. Sanderſon: ‡ Rob. Viner, Eſq;
Luggerſhall—* *Peter Delme, Eſq;* ‡ Governor Boone.
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I muſt own, I dare not flatter myſelf, that I can make a real claim to the tenderneſs, which was ſhewn me on this occaſion: but the leſs my merit, the more ſhould be my gratitude. And, if the good nature of my friends has prejudiced them to my advantage now; 'twill be ſo much the more my duty to endeavour to deſerve their approbation, for the time to come.

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I am, Sir, you moſt humble ſervant,

E. COOPER.

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S. Tho' moſt you *boaſt* your *worth*, you'll not get in.
B. Tho' well ſome votes did *ſell*, you'll never *win*.

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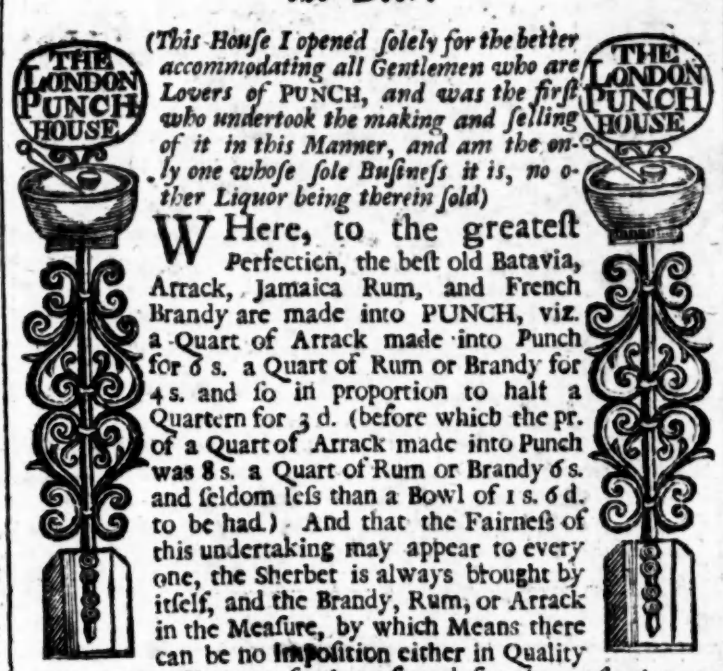

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